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Serial No.: 10/079,241
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 18, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Extension

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Please enter the following amendments and remarks.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

1. Response to Office Action mailed June 18, 2003;
2. Petition for Extension of Time;
3. Check in the amount of \$475.00 for the requisite fee; and
4. Return Post Card.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in the total fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 25436/2155. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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